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Honorable Carl Hayden
U. S. Smator for Arizona
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senafor Hayden:

Thanks very much for the copies of the Public Law #152 that you sent me with your letter of July 15, 1949.

I just sat in on a session with the Governor, Perry Ling, Assistant Attorney General, O. C. Williams, State Land Commissioner, Hal Mitchell, the Governor's Secretary, General Tuthill and Colonel Fraser of the Arizona National Guard, concerning the three difficulties that I mentioned in my letter to you. The decision was that the Attorney General should apply for a correction Deed and the State should apply to the Department of Interior for the land now withdrawn for the use of the Department of the Army under Public Land Orders #16 and #251. How they will straighten out the Sections which were deeded by the State to the United States within the Fort Huachuca Artillery Range so as to get title into the State again, was not decided. The State Land Commissioner apparently feels that the State could not give back the land which it received in exchange for land it deeded because commitments have been made on the land acquired. Temporarily, at least, Mr. Williams, State Land Commissioner, is going to request the Department of Interior to execute a Public Land Order or lease to the State of Arizona to prevent outsiders getting in on Fort Huachuca.

I noticed in the paper where Jack Kinney of Tucson and Red Rock had died. Thought perhaps you had not seen it.

With best wishes, and thanks again

Sincerely.

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